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Frederick L. Hill. Chairman of the BZA,

As a long-time resident in the ANC 3/4G I am writing to express my **strong support of Maret's Proposed Fields at the ECC property.** 

This project will benefit Maret School AND the ECC's programs to fulfill their mission. Developing quality fields for DC youth athletic organizations is important for our city. There is insufficient accessible field space for many local organizations. I strongly encourage the ANC and the BZA to approve this project AND encourage reasonable use of the fields by other DC youth groups.

I am the parent of two Maret graduates. Maret School partners well with the District and other organizations to support the needs of DC youth. Over 20 years ago, Maret established the local DC Horizons program. Maret remains a faithful partner expanding Horizons' impact in DC and Maryland. Since DC Horizons' founding, Maret has provided its campus for six weeks every summer, year-round administrative office space, and other services - all free of charge - helping Horizons fulfill its mission: a tuition-free academic and enrichment program serving over 350 students from under-resourced communities in Washington, DC and Maryland.

Maret has consistently worked closely and diligently with adjacent neighbors when developing projects. The School will continue to collaboratively address locals' concerns about ECC property. Please knowMaret is a trustworthy partner that fulfills obligations. Maret enjoys the reputation as a good neighbor on 3000 Cathedral Avenue, NW - listening to, working with, and valuing neighbors and the community. Maret would be an excellent neighbor and steward for the ECC property.

Thank you for all you do for our community. Maret's Proposed Fields at the ECC property is an excellent plan with a proven and reliable DC partner.

Endorse this important project. Make positive impact on several non-profit entities and our city's student athletes.

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